IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

enabling execution of <u>an</u> a first application on a master device by allocating a master license and at least one shareable license to the master device; and

enabling execution of <u>the</u> a second application on a shareable device by executing the first application on the master device and by allocating the shareable license to the shareable device<u>; and</u>

<u>terminating execution of the application on the shareable device after failing to receive a response verifying current execution of the application on the master device.</u>

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

allocating a plurality of shareable licenses including the shareable license to the master device.

3.   (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

allocating the plurality of shareable licenses to a corresponding plurality of shareable devices.

4.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a query at the master device to determine current execution of the first application.

5.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a response at the shareable device to verify the current execution of the first application.

6.   (Canceled)

7.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

discovering the existence of the master device and the ~~first~~ application by the shareable device; and

receiving the ~~second~~ application by the shareable device.

8.   (Currently Amended) An article comprising a machine-accessible medium having associated data, wherein the data, when accessed, results in a machine performing:

enabling execution of an application on a master device by allocating a master license and at least one shareable license to the master device; and

enabling execution of the application on a shareable device ~~for a selected time period~~ by allocating the shareable license to the shareable device only for so long as the application is being executed on the master device.

9.   (Original) The article of claim 8, wherein enabling the execution of the application on the master device further includes:

storing a master license code associated with the master license in the master device; and

storing a shareable license code associated with the shareable license in the shareable device.

10.   (Original) The article of claim 8, wherein enabling the execution of the application on the master device further includes:

augmenting the application to include an application code to check against a master license code stored in the master device.

11.   (Original) The article of claim 8, wherein the data, when accessed, results in the machine performing:

receiving an option to upgrade the shareable device to operate as a second master device.

12.   (Original) The article of claim 8, wherein the data, when accessed, results in the machine performing:

terminating execution of the application on the shareable device by revoking the shareable license.

13-37. (Canceled)

38.   (New) The method of claim 1, wherein, in enabling execution of an application on a master device, the application comprises a game.

39.   (New) The method of claim 1, wherein, in enabling execution of an application on a master device, the application comprises a multi-player game.

40.   (New) The article of claim 8, wherein, in enabling execution of an application on a master device, the application comprises a game.

41.   (New) The article of claim 40, wherein, in enabling execution of an application on a master device, the application comprises a multi-player game.